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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 3RD, 1912.

In the current number of the Journal of the Royal Colonial Institute—which is now under the editorship of Mr. ARTHUR R. COLQUHOUN and has been re-named *United Empire*—there is a very interesting analysis of the foreign trade statistics of China by Mr. STAFFORD RAMSOME, whose name will be familiar to some as the author of a book on the development of Japan, entitled "Japan in Transition," while to others Mr. RAMSOME will be known as the Editor of an engineering journal devoted chiefly to Eastern enterprises. He regards the statistics for 1910 as not merely interesting as a record of an individual year, but "because they represent the high water-mark of progress" at which China had arrived under the régime to which a period has now been put by the revolution. Assuming, as we think he is entitled to do, that one half of China's imports from Hongkong are British, Mr. RAMSOME reckons that the British Empire's share of the trade of China in 1910 was approximately £24,000,000.

interesting subject. He would be extremely pessimistic, but the statistics show very little warrant for such an attitude. Japan, he remarks, is unquestionably the most serious of Britain's competitors for China's import trade. In 1910 Japan's imports were, for the first time, higher than those direct from the British Isles, though still, of course, far below the gross British total from all sources. "Japan's share in Chinese imports has been rising very rapidly of late years, but it is satisfactory to note that, with the exception of textile goods, and one or two other lines, the increases are due to lines in which Great Britain does not compete with her, though unquestionably they affect some of our Asiatic possessions. However, the very rapid rise of something like 45 per cent in the trade from India and the Straits Settlements during the last three years shows that in this respect we are holding our own." But Mr. RAMSOME apparently doubts whether we can hold our supremacy much longer. "We have worked hard for it," he says. It was Britain who originally knocked more persistently than all the other nations in the world at the hermetically sealed door of China. It was Britain who, in 1841, forcibly pushed that door ajar and inserted the thin end of the wedge which has kept it partially open ever since in the shape of the Treaty ports and the ceding of Hongkong to us. It was a Briton, who created that marvelously efficient service now known as the Imperial Maritime Customs: it was to Britons that China was indebted for her first railways and much else, and Mr. RAMSOME bemoans that "now that Britain has borne the burden and heat of the day, our competitors are making herculean efforts to rob us of the harvest which legitimately we should reap, and their lever, financial influence, is a powerful one."

It is useless bemoaning these things. The question for consideration is: What is now necessary to be done by the British Government or British merchants to maintain and, if possible, improve the position British trade holds relatively to the trade of other countries. Mr. RAMSOME complains that while the Governments, banks and shipping companies of Germany, the United States, France, and Belgium, leave no stone unturned to forward the interests of their respective manufacturers at home, and their compatriots resident in China, "the British Government confines itself to publishing out-of-date, incomplete, and often misleading reports concerning matters which are dead and gone by the time they reach the public. They make no endeavour to forward trade interests in any way, either collectively or in the case of the individual. The British banker, while as anxious as his competitors in other countries to lend money to China, makes no stipulation, as they do, to the effect that a portion of money so lent shall be spent in contracts placed with manufacturers in his own country, and he refuses point-blank to regard a properly authenticated contract as a negotiable asset; thus at the present day we are faced with the anomaly of our bankers drawing upon deposits of British manufacturing firms for the purpose of lending money to China to be spent on German machinery." The British adviser is thus being ousted in favour of the foreigner, and the foreigner is obtaining a larger and larger foothold as the educator of the modern Chinese. "That is, perhaps, the most serious of the dangers which Britain has to face in the China of to-morrow," Mr. RAMSOME says, "and it is a danger which has been brought about by the apathy of British Governments and the short-sighted policy of those who conduct British financial transactions in the Celestial Empire." We do not reproduce these criticisms because we believe them to be sound. Wide generalizations of this character seldom stand investigation and analysis, and it is a striking commentary on Mr. RAMSOME's lamentations that they are by no means recognised as justified by writers belonging to the nations who are making those "herculean efforts" to displace the British trader. The obstacles on which Mr. RAMSOME dilates are not those of to-morrow, but of yesterday, and in spite of these alleged handicaps British imports increased and we see no reason why that trade should not continue to increase.

The German and French mails of the 27th December and 2nd January were delivered in London on the 1st inst.

Mr. G. B. Dodwell and his eldest son were among the passengers on the *Himalaya* which arrived yesterday.

The P. M. steamer *Manchuria* left Shanghai last week with a large number of passengers who intend being present at the annual Carnival at Manila.

The engagements of the Bishop of Victoria for to-morrow (Sunday) are:—10 a.m. preach on board H.M.S. *Astraea*; at 11 a.m. preach at St. Paul's Chinese Church; 5.45 p.m. preach at St. John's Cathedral.

An old lady was knocked down by a tram car in the Western district on Thursday night while crossing from Des Vaux Road to Centre Street. She was sent to the hospital suffering from injuries to her head.

The Rev. C. Bone will traverse some of the teachings of Pastor Russell to-morrow evening at the Wesleyan Church, and again answer the question "Where are the dead?" The service commences at 6 o'clock.

The appointment of British Military Attaché in China has been conferred upon Captain D. S. Robertson, 2nd Royal Scots Fusiliers, who will have the temporary rank of major, in succession to Lieut.-Col. M. E. Willoughby, and Lancers, Indian Army.

The Peninsular and Oriental S. N. Company has subscribed £500 to the fund in aid of the relatives of the men from the French cruiser *Friant*, who were drowned in attempting to rescue the passengers of the wrecked P. and O. steamer *Delhi* near Cape Spatell.

It is announced that the interest of Mr. Gershom Stewart, M.P. in the firm of Stewart Bros. bill and bullion brokers, has terminated and that Mr. Evan Ormiston, late manager of the local branch of the Mercantile Bank, has been admitted as a partner in the firm.

A London wire of January 16, says:—The Hongkong Selangor Rubber Company, Limited, has been formed with a capital of £50,000 and a present issue of £10,000. The company acquires 1,507 acres, of which 313 acres have been recently planted. The estate adjoins Seafeld.

The Rt. Hon. Sir West Ridgeway, P.C., G.C.B., G.C.M.G., formerly Governor of Ceylon, arrived in Hongkong yesterday by the P. and O. steamer *Himalaya*. Sir West Ridgeway is Chairman of the British North Borneo Co. and is visiting the East in connection with the Company's affairs.

Lieut.-Colonel A. S. Begbie, Major A. C. Ralph, Captains R. J. Clarke, P. de C. Johnston, S. L. Ralph, H. C. Cutler, Lieuts. N. D. Place, L. Spencer, A. J. Orchard, D. Arthur, I.M.S., 14 Indian Officers, 736 rank and file, and 77 followers, 8th Rajputs, returned to Kowloon from camp at Lowu and Fanning on 30th January.

Mr. G. H. Corse, Jr., has been appointed to succeed the late Mr. Tom Mackay, general passenger agent of the San Francisco overland route, with headquarters at No. 4 Water street, Yokohama, Japan. This agency covers the Pacific Mail, Southern Pacific, Union Pacific, Chicago and North-Western, Pennsylvania and New York Central companies.

Cases of dumping dead bodies are still being reported to the police. Yesterday's reports stated that the body of a Chinese male child was found in Ezra Lane, death being due to smallpox. The body of a female about thirty years of age was found in the harbour, death being due to natural causes. The third case of dumping was at Wong Huk, a village near Tsam Tsui Po, a young woman, whose death was due to hemorrhage.

The Queen mother of Siam is going on a tour to Japan and Chosen. A comfortable cruising yacht has been ordered from Copenhagen, and will be in Bangkok in time to start if possible in March; the tour will last three or four months, and Her Majesty will visit various places of interest in Japan and Chosen, while the royal vessel will also call at various ports on the China coast. The Foreign Minister will probably accompany the Queen on this tour. It has now been decided that Her Majesty will proceed to Europe after the King's visit next year. It is probable that during the next cold season Her Majesty will visit India returning early in 1913.

Capt. Theodore Jackson Eldridge, of the Imperial Maritime Customs, Shanghai, was married in New York recently to Miss Henrietta Joy, daughter of the late Professor C. A. Joy, of Columbia University. The scene of the ceremony was the residence of Mr. Joseph H. Choate, formerly United States Ambassador in London, who gave the bride away. The wedding was solemnized by the Right Rev. Bishop Courtney, D.D., and about eighty guests attended the reception subsequently held at Mr. and Mrs. Choate's residence. The first part of the honeymoon was spent in Washington and after some weeks in New York Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge are expected to leave for Shanghai about the end of this month.

WOMEN SHOULD ALWAYS REMEMBER that Constipation is the cause of half the troubles of the human race.

MR. MATHESON LANG AT THE
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"THE TAMING OF THE SHREW."

It was a crowded and highly delighted audience which assembled in the Theatre Royal last night to witness the initial performance and Messrs. Lang and Holloway's London Company in "The Taming of the Shrew."

This is perhaps one of the least interesting of Shakespeare's plays to read, and it is only when one sees it staged by a capable Company that one realises the wealth of comedy with which every scene is filled. Miss Hutin Britton as the shrew gave an excellent portrayal of the character, while Mr. Matheson Lang, as Petruchio, the shrew tamer, was superb. They were well supported by the rest of the Company—Miss Dorothy Ripley as Bianca, Mr. A. W. Tyrer as Gremio, Mr. Randall Holloway as Hortensio, Mr. Douglas Vivers as Lucentio, Mr. Charles Vane as Baptista, Mr. Douglas Young as Vicentio, Mr. F. Percival Stevens as Gremio, and Miss Lucy Beaumont as Curtis, a servant to Petruchio.

The play lasted till nearly half-past twelve and it can truthfully be said that the audience did not have a tedious moment, except in the intervals. It was a delightful performance and when the curtain fell upon the very picturesque scene of the final act the audience gave vent to their delight in rounds of enthusiastic applause.

To-night the play is "Bardleys the Magnificent."

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 2nd February.

FULL COURT.

BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE (SIR FRANCIS PIGOTT) AND THE PUISNE JUDGE (MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ).

CHARGE OF FALSE PRETENCES.

This was a case in which the conviction of Chow Kwong Yu had been referred to the Full Court.

The Hon. Mr. Rees Davies (Attorney-General) appeared for the Crown, and Mr. Eldon Potter, instructed by Mr. Lewis, appeared on behalf of the prisoner.

Mr. Potter said this was a question reserved for the decision of the Full Court. The question arose at the last Criminal Sessions, when two men were indicted on charges of attempting to obtain property under false pretences, and with conspiracy. One man was acquitted and the present prisoner was convicted. The indictment as originally presented to the jury was that the false pretence was that he represented himself as agent for the Quong Yik Bank of Swatow and therefore authorised by the Bank to obtain the papers referred to. At the trial a witness for the Crown proved that the false pretences were not the false pretences as appeared in the indictment and that the Yi Tai firm were the agents of the Quong Yik Bank and had authority to obtain from the Hongkong Printing Press 1,200 papers. On that evidence at the close of the Crown case, he submitted that the indictment must fail as against the prisoner, inasmuch as the false pretences proved were entirely different from the false pretences as alleged. The Puisse Judge decided to refer this point to the Full Court, and the Attorney-General amended the indictment by substituting the words that the Yi Tai firm were the agents.

It was obvious, said Mr. Potter, that it was an entirely different false pretence, and the only question their Lordships had to decide was whether the Judge had power to make an alteration in an indictment of false pretences, entirely different from those in the indictment.

The Attorney-General said he did not admit there was any charge of false pretences substituted, but that in the evidence of one witness he, witness, believed that the prisoner was employed by the Bank, and therefore, that was why he gave him authority to get the papers.

The Court upheld the conviction, and the prisoner was sentenced to twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE PUISNE JUDGE (MR. H. H. J. GOMPERTZ).

BREACH OF CONTRACT.

His Lordship delivered judgment in the case in which the Macao Electric Lighting Co. claimed \$1,000 from Ng Tsun Kee, contractor, for the return or delivery of a quantity of timber which the defendant had contracted to take from Junk Bay to Macao. There was a counter claim by the defendant for \$774 for work done in removing the timber from Junk Bay to Hongkong.

Mr. W. Lewis appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. F. X. D'Almeida e Castro for the defendant.

His Lordship said he did not believe the story told by the defendant that the contract was from Junk Bay to Hongkong.

TELEGRAMS. TELEGRAMS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

THE REVOLUTION.

THE DEMAND ON THE CHINA
MERCHANTS, S.N. COY.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Reuter's correspondent reports that the shareholders of the China Merchants Steam Navigation Co., by a majority of 24 to 1, resolved to transfer the ships of the Company to the Republicans as security for a loan, on receipt of assurances that the Company will be the object of the special solicitude of the Republic when it is fully established.

THE CRISIS IN ULSTER.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Ten thousand Irish Presbyterians held five simultaneous meetings in Belfast, calling on the Government, with whom, apart from the question of Home Rule, so many sympathised, to save the Irish Presbyterians from disaster.

LATER.

The speakers at the Belfast meetings affirmed that the Presbyterians would not obey the laws of an Irish Parliament and would throw its demand for money in the fire. This decision was final and unchanging.

THE STRIKE IN LISBON.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Reuter's correspondent at Lisbon reports that it is officially announced that the strike is everywhere ended and that the Government is master of the situation. The Chamber of Deputies has adopted a motion prolonging martial law in Lisbon for a month, and has approved of a bill providing for the summary court-martialling of prisoners in batches of 25.

The Premier has reiterated his statement that the reactionaries engineered the strike. It is expected that Parliament will be prorogued for a month.

FRENCH TAXICAB STRIKE.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Advices from Paris state that after two months' strike of taxi-cab drivers, the companies attempted yesterday to bring out a number of vehicles, which were escorted by cuirassiers and cyclist police. One of the latter fell and a mob of strikers rushed the cabs and overturned five, slashing them with knives. The cuirassiers charged the mob, and enabled forty cabs to reach Paris.

RUSSIA AND PERSIA.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Reuter learns that the report that it was intended to ask the Persian Government to recognise British and Russian protectorates in Persia, is totally unfounded. Russia and Britain are exchanging views having reference to proposals for assisting Persia in establishing a more stable Government.

FRANCE AND ITALY.

LONDON, February 2nd.

A Paris telegram says it is semi-officially announced that twenty-seven of the Turks captured on the *Manouba*, who are undoubtedly Red Crescents, will be allowed to proceed to Sfax, in Tunis. The twenty-eight is seriously ill, and the twenty-ninth, whose identity is obscure, will not be allowed to proceed to Tunis.

THE KING AT GIBRALTAR.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Reuter's correspondent at Gibraltar reports that the King has conferred on the Infante Carlos, the Grand Cross of the Victorian Order.

ITALY AND TURKEY.

LONDON, February 2nd.

A wire from Perin states that the bombardment of the Turkish forts on the Yemen coast was continued yesterday.

THE ARGENTINE STRIKE.

LONDON, February 1st.

Reuter's correspondent at Buenos Aires states that the strike continues, but the railway companies have informed the Government that the goods traffic is normal and the passenger service in accordance with the provisional time-table authorised by the Government.

RIOT AT BRISBANE.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Reuter's correspondent at Brisbane wires that there has been some rioting, and the police, who were stoned, dispersed the crowds with their batons. A shot was fired.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

UNREST IN PORTUGAL.

ROMANTIC MEETING OF THE EX-KING
AND PRETENDER.

LONDON, February 2nd.

News has leaked out of a secret meeting between ex-King Manuel and the Pretender, Dom Miguel, in the Lord Warden Hotel at Dover on Tuesday.

The particulars read like a chapter of a romance. King Manuel met some ten passengers on the steam packet *Nord* and they all adjourned to the hotel. Everyone at the conference appeared to be on the happiest of terms.

A journalist afterwards found a blotting pad, on which was traced a signed "entente," indicating the abdication of Dom Miguel.

A flashlight photograph clearly shows the two protagonists and commemorates their first meeting.

The Miguel party left the same evening for Calais and the ex-King Manuel proceeded to London.

LATER.

The newspapers publish pictures of King Manuel and Dom Miguel at Dover and reproductions of the signatures on the blotting pad, which the journalist, who tracked Dom Miguel from Paris, photographed.

Reuter states that at the meeting between King Manuel and Dom Miguel at Dover, the latter spontaneously offered to help to the utmost the restoration of King Manuel to the Throne.

FORECASTS OF THE HOME RULE
BILL.

LONDON, February 2nd.

The *Daily Chronicle*, in a forecast of the Home Rule Bill, says the Irish Parliament will control the customs and excise, but that provision will be made for a continuance of Anglo-Irish free trade. Ireland will receive an Imperial subsidy of two millions yearly for fifteen years, after which Ireland will contribute a percentage of the revenue to Imperial expenditure. The second chamber will have a suspensory veto over legislation, which will be passed in a joint session, and will decide a deadlock.

Representatives will continue to be sent to the Imperial Parliament, but in much fewer numbers than heretofore.

The establishment of any religion will be forbidden.

The Royal Constabulary will be controlled by the Imperial authorities for twelve years.

THE "TIMES" FORECAST.
The *Times* forecast is that the Home Rule Bill will be the principal feature of the session, and in contradiction of the forecast of the *Daily Chronicle*, says the Customs and Excise will remain under Imperial control, despite the report of the Financial Committee.

THE LATE DUKE OF FIFE.

LONDON, February 2nd.

A telegram from Alexandria states that it is understood that the cruiser *Suffolk* will convey the remains of the late Duke of Fife to England.

There will be five weeks' Court mourning for the late Duke.

MR. BOTTOMLEY CONVICTED.

LONDON, February 2nd.

Mr. Justice Eady has found Mr. Horatio Bottomley guilty of misfeasance and breach of trust, and, on the summons of a creditor of the Joint Stock Trust and Finance Corporation, has ordered him to pay £36,773 to the Official Receiver, as liquidator of the above Corporation.

THE ESPIONAGE CASE.

LONDON, February 2nd.

A telegram from Leipzig states that Bertrand Stewart, who was charged with seeking to obtain certain information, admits to having tried to get portion of it, but in his defence contends that the information was not secret and the attempt to obtain it no offence.

PANAMA CANAL TOLLS.

LONDON, February 2nd.

The committee of the New York Chamber of Commerce in presenting to the Chamber a resolution advocating uniform tolls of a dollar per ton on ships passing through the Panama Canal, declares that American ships cannot be favoured without abrogating the treaties with Great Britain.

ANGLO-AUSTRALIAN CRICKET.

LONDON, February 2nd.

The Marylebone team commenced their

LOCAL SPORT.

FIXTURES AT A GLANCE.

LEAGUE CRICKET.	OTHER CRICKET.
Civil Service	Cratengower
H.K.C.C.	Cratengower
H.K.F.C.	Naval Yard
H.K.F.C.	Army
V.B.C. Regatta at Kowloon Bay.	

At 2 p.m. to-day on the Cricket ground
C.C.C.—H. H. Taylor, R. A. Carvalho, J. V. Braga, E. L. Braga, G. A. Hancock, W. H. Vivas, J. D. Noria, R. Panton, C. Johnstone, L. A. Rose and R. Bass.

H.K.C.C.—Lt. Bedford, R.N., Rev. Hewitson, R.N., Mr. Anaheim, R.N., F. Piggett, A. E. Fowler, H. Webb, D. Bernard, C. C. Clarke, Capt. Clapham, R.G.A., E. F. MacNulty and R. J. Saunders.

The following will represent the H.K.C.C. against Kowloon C.C. on the Kowloon ground to-day. Play to start at 2 p.m. sharp. Players are requested to catch the 1.50 p.m. ferry from Hongkong.

K.C.C.—H. W. Mann, A. T. Hamilton, J. McWhinnie, E. Campbell, R. C. Band, C. Wilkie, W. H. W. Wilson, R. J. Brown, E. Cooper and K. S. Benton.

HONGKONG CRICKET LEAGUE.

The following is the League table up to date:

Club	P	W	L	D	PTS
1 Civil Service	10	7	3	0	21
2 Cratengower	9	5	1	3	18
3 Kowloon	9	4	3	2	14
4 H. K. Police	8	4	4	0	12
5 H. K. A.	7	2	2	3	9
6 K.O.Y.L.I.	7	2	4	1	7
7 H. K. E.	7	2	4	1	7
8 Naval Yard	10	2	8	0	6

N. B.—A win=3 points.
A draw=1 point.

V.B.C. REGATTA.

One event was brought off yesterday, that being the competition for the Lusitano Cup for four-oars. Three crews competed, the result being as appended. The race in which the senior pairs were to have competed was postponed, owing to the indisposition of two of the competitors.

BOAT	at lbs.
Boy-F. Deude	10 3
2-B. Ellis	8 3
3-B. J. Judah	10 8
Stroke-E. H. Farrell	11 0
Cox-W. J. Carroll	9 0

LEAK	at lbs.
Boy-F. K. Tala	9 4
2-B. W. Bradbury	11 0
3-R. A. Carvalho	9 9
Stroke-H. C. Umrigar	11 6
Cox-R. C. Witcomb	10 7

THIRTEEN	at lbs.
Boy-A. M. Rosa Pereira, Jr.	9 7
2-A. S. Ellis	11 7
3-A. J. V. Ribeiro	10 11
Stroke E. Frohlich	10 2
Cox-H. Rupp	10 0

THE MANILA SPORTS MEETING.

Yesterday A. W. Andrews, of the Buffs, who will be remembered in Hongkong as holding several running championships, passed through the Colony on his way from Singapore to Manila to take part in the athletic meeting there. Andrews, who has been promoted to Drum-Major, holds the records in Hongkong for the half-mile, quarter-mile and shared with F. G. Carroll the 100 yards. As he came away at short notice he has not been in training, but he is in fair condition, and his friends here and in Singapore will be glad if he succeeds in repeating his former successes on the racing track in Manila.

SOLDIERS' CLUB BILLIARD TOURNAMENT.

The final games between the R.A. Staff and the Hongkong Volunteer Reserves were decided on Thursday evening, the R.A. being again victorious in both games. The first game was between Master Gunner Muir, R.A., and Mr. Kelly, H.K. Volunteer Reserves. A capital game ensued; after half an hour's play the scores were called—Mr. Gr. Muir, 159; Mr. Kelly 59. The former obtained his 250 points after playing for exactly one hour. The chief breaks of this game were:—Mr. Gr. Muir, 10, 11 (3 times), 16, 12, 13, 14 and 15, while Mr. Kelly's best efforts were to 10 and 11 (twice). Mr. Gr. Muir won by 121 points.

The second game (and the last of the round) was between C.S.M. (I.G.) Gillman, R.A. Staff, and P. J. Lambell, of the Volunteer Reserves. A fair game ensued, both players making some good shots, but at other times failing to get easy ones. Sergt. Major Gillman won by 49.

The R.A. Staff won the round by 363 points, and will therefore take part in the second round.

The complete scores of this round are as follows:

Hongkong Volunteers	
Capt. Guthrie	295 Mr. Thornhill 250
R. S. M. Cullen	250 Mr. Duncan 172
Master Gr. Brown	250 Mr. Mead 225
Major Kirby	250 Mr. Raiton 238
Capt. Brierley	250 Mr. Gibson 162
Master Gr. Fuller	250 Mr. Kelly 129
Master Gr. Muir	250 Mr. Lambell 207
C.S.M. (I.G.) Gillman	250 P. J. Lambell 207

Totals1945 Total.....1582

KULANGSU (AMOI) MUNICIPAL COUNCIL.

The annual meeting of Kulangsu ratepayers was held at the Board Room, Kulangsu, Amoy, on the 23rd January, these present being:—Dr. D. H. Ainslie (2), Messrs. B. W. Allen, J. H. Arnold, J. H. Aubert, Capt. Bathurst, Messrs. E. Bauer, Rev. J. Beattie, Rev. J. P. Boot, C. F. Brissel, R. H. Bruce (W. Wilson, proxy), J. H. Barton, F. H. Edwards, Dr. Fanning, Messrs. J. S. Fenwick, F. W. Fowler, H. B. Frikke, J. T. Hashimoto, W. Kruse, R. Kikuchi, T. Koizumi, W. Kruse, R. Kumano, J. Kuper, G. Lecomte, C. Lee, F. Leyte, Miss Macgregor, Mrs. M. May (W. Wilson, proxy), J. A. Merill, J. P. Morley, Dr. J. Merz (Chairman), C. A. Mutton, Noble, S. Okazaki, J. C. Parkin, W. R. M'D. Parr (2), A. Piehle (W. Kruse, proxy), P. Poletti (W. Kruse, proxy), H. F. Rankin, P. M. Sauger, A. J. Sundius, J. Takamasa, L. I. Thomas, W. H. Wallace, C. Whitfield, A. Whitmarsh, W. Wilson, G. B. Worby, S. Yoshida and others.

Dr. C. Merz, H.K.M. Consul and Senior Consul, was in the chair.

On the motion of the CHAIRMAN, Mr. Berkeley Mitchell was appointed Secretary to the meeting, and read the notice convening same.

THE ANNUAL REVIEW.
Mr. W. H. WALLACE, Chairman of the retiring Council, addressed the meeting as follows:—Mr. Chairman, Miss Macgregor and Gentlemen—The report and accounts for the past year have now been in your hands some days. Although most matters have been fully dealt with, there are certain points I should like more particularly to bring to your notice.

First, there is the expenditure on the artesian well. As you are aware, on our taking office in January last, there was a contract for this experimental artesian well boring in existence, and this contract, having been entered into by a former Council, had been sanctioned by a special meeting of ratepayers, held on the 22nd of November, 1910. In the notice convening this special meeting, it was stated that the meeting was for the purpose of sanctioning the expenditure of funds in sinking an experimental artesian well, and the speaker in introducing the subject to the meeting, said:—

"This expression of 'experimental' has been used for the reason that it has been ascertained (after consulting such text-books bearing on the subject as were available in Amoy, and after one of our body had consulted expert opinion in Hongkong) artesian wells are not always successful. Frequently no water bearing strata struck, and again, water may be struck and the well not be a flowing one. However, it would never be known whether an artesian well is possible unless someone takes the initiative, and there seems no other solution of the problem at any reasonable expense."

Well, I regret to say, ladies and gentlemen, the experiment was unsuccessful, and, as explained in the annual report, had to be reluctantly abandoned, as there was no prospect of it eventually proving a success, and your Council were of opinion that a continuance of the work was only throwing money away. For your information the work began on the 18th December, 1910, and was finally stopped on the 15th June—a total of 179 days. The amount expended was \$2,236.86, made up as follows:—Expenses of expert from Formosa \$154.28, passage money and freight \$150, wages \$2,500, materials, interest, etc., \$432.58. This deficit we propose wiping off during the current year, as you will see by the Budget.

Another point I wish to touch on, is the employment of an Inspector of Police and Assistant to the Secretary. Owing to the rapid development of the Settlement, the work your Secretary is called upon to perform is ever increasing, and makes it quite impossible for any one man to carry out the multifarious duties efficiently; besides, it is always desirable to have an assistant able to take over the secretary's work in case of sickness, and therefore it is absolutely necessary to provide him with an assistant. A suitable man cannot be obtained under \$125 a month, and we engaged Mr. Brownlie at that figure. The good work he has put in during the past six months, and the great assistance he has been to the Secretary, in the opinion of your Council, amply justifies the expenditure under this heading.

Although perhaps the matter of street lighting should rightly come up when the estimates for 1912 are brought forward for approval, I think perhaps it would be more convenient if I mention the question of street lighting now. Your retiring Council are fully aware that the present system gives a good deal of dissatisfaction, and agree that it is antiquated and leaves much to be desired, and, moreover, they are in agreement with a suggestion made by H. Lecomte, that, even if the funds at the disposal of the Council do not admit of expensive improvements in the present lighting, still a start might be made to improve matters by erecting on different points on the island an improved type of lamp, and gradually adding to these yearly. Just what type of lamp, and the general details of such a scheme, must be left to the incoming Council, and I am confident that the gentlemen you elect to-day will endeavour to treat M. Lecomte's suggestion sympathetically, and bring the lighting arrangements of the Settlement more in line with modern requirements.

THE LIGHTING OF THE SETTLEMENT.
The SECRETARY read a letter from M. Lecomte to the Council criticising the lighting of the Settlement, and making certain suggestions for improving same, and recommending that Council take early action in the matter.

The Secretary also read the following letter from Capt. Bathurst and other ratepayers to the Council:—
"The undersigned ratepayers do not consider it necessary to pay extra rent for a private residence for the Secretary. The Municipal Buildings were built on a large scale for the housing of the Secretary. We note that \$78 has been charged to connect the telephone to the Secretary's residence. We consider the same unnecessary, as the telephone at the Municipal Buildings is close at hand, and as watchmen are stationed at the same night and day and could take any message to the Secretary in a minute.
We consider the roads are badly lighted especially at Loh-kee-tah and its vicinity and that the rent for the Secretary's house would help to the upkeep of more lights.
The following correspondence between Mr. Emil Bauer and the Council was read:—

19th January, 1912.
I have been informed that I must vote for six Councillors. On looking up the Land Regulations and Bye-laws (dated the 10th January, 1912) I find under paragraph No. 4 that the Municipal Council shall consist of 5 or 6 persons, etc.
There is nothing mentioned in this paragraph which prohibits a ratepayer from voting for one Councillor only. If there is any such Bye-law prohibiting this please have the kindness to furnish me with the working of same and also let me know the date when it went into effect.

(The Council to Mr. Bauer.)
In reply to your letter of yesterday's date concerning the election of Councillors, I am directed to inform you that as the meeting in question is a meeting of ratepayers and not a meeting of the Council, the latter body can give no ruling in the matter; it is a question entirely for the Chairman of the meeting to decide.

(Mr. Bauer to the Council.)
Replying to your letter of January 20th I beg to say that I cannot find anything in the Land Regulations and Bye-laws which gives the Chairman of the meeting the right to decide the question of how the voting should be carried out.

I have been informed that on previous meetings some ratepayers have voted for two or three Councillors only. You would therefore oblige me by informing me if these votes have been counted or not.
If they have been counted then a precedent has been set, and I don't see how the Chairman could prevent me from voting at the coming meeting for one or more, providing I don't vote for more than six.

Please send reply to my residence in Kulangsu and oblige.

(The Council to Mr. Bauer.)
Your letter of the 20th inst. has been referred to the Council, who direct me to inform you that the question you raise will be decided at the annual meeting of ratepayers to be held on the 23rd inst.

(Mr. Bauer to the Council.)
Referring to your letter of yesterday's date, I beg to say that the question I asked in my letter of January 20th referred to the mode of proceeding in previous meetings and I therefore cannot understand why the Secretariat does not answer this question. If in previous meetings the vote of ratepayer, who voted for one or more Councillors only, was valid, then such a vote must also be valid in the coming meeting and my resolution will in that case not have to be put before the meeting.
If on the other hand, such a vote has been declared not valid, then I maintain that the Regulations and Bye-laws do not support that view, and in that case I will put my resolution before the meeting.

I therefore again ask you to inform me if a vote, such as referred to above, has in previous meeting been counted or not.
(Mr. Bauer to the Council.)
As I have not received an answer to my letter of January 22nd, I beg to inform you that I will publish the correspondence between the Council and myself for the information of the ratepayers.

(IV.)—Correspondence concerning the candidature of Mr. G. F. Haslam, addressed to the Council.

From Mr. Bauer.
20th January, 1912.
I beg to call your attention to the fact that the name of Mr. G. F. Haslam does not appear in the published list of ratepayers.

According to the Land Regulations, Article 4, ratepayers only are qualified for election as Councillors.
From Capt. Bathurst.
22nd January, 1912.
I beg to draw your attention to the fact that Mr. G. F. Haslam's name does not appear in the list of ratepayers, nor in the press, therefore not eligible for election at the coming meeting.

Kindly inform me what will be done in this case.

THE ACCOUNTS FOR 1911.
The CHAIRMAN asked if there were any questions concerning the accounts for 1911.
Capt. BATHURST—After Mr. Wallace's elaborate speech about the well I have very little to say except you state you made a contract for him to bore 18 feet for \$18 per foot, being \$1 per foot plus the cost of material. Instead of that you paid him at the rate of \$24 odd per foot. The material used for boring the well was very primitive and cost very little as every one could see, and I think he ought to have been stopped when the antiquated method of boring was first started, and so saved the ratepayers a few dollars for a useless purpose.

Mr. WALLACE—Having replied.
The CHAIRMAN proposed, and Mr. L. I. THOMAS seconded, that the accounts for 1911 be passed.

The motion was carried by a large majority.

THE ESTIMATES.
The CHAIRMAN asked if there were any questions concerning the Estimates for 1912.

Mr. BAUER complained of the state of the roads and the poor lighting system.
Capt. BATHURST—I note the estimated expenditure for the coming year is still increasing, and I cannot see that the increase will be for the benefit of the island. It seems to me that the increase is being paid in salaries and upkeep of the Secretariat department. In 1906 the Secretariat department cost the ratepayers \$6,504, and now the cost of same will be for 1912, \$8,252. The ratepayers at that time declared the Secretary was too expensive for the island, and the Council stated that the new Secretary would be cheaper. Colonel Mackenzie, then acting, was not taken on for a further term, though I can fairly state that he was fully acquainted with the Municipal Work, and whilst acting as Secretary he worked hard to get the Municipal work in order, and I can assure you that the island has not expanded; it is still about one and a half miles long and half a mile wide. I grant you that the Chinese population has increased, but it is the better class and I do not think they want so much lighting after a few more houses have been built in close proximity to the main thoroughfares. What I particularly want to point out to you is that the estimate for the lighting of the roads is still the same as it has been for years, and I would like the Council to find ways and means to give us more lights and better roads. The roads round Loh-kee-tah and its vicinity are disgraceful in wet weather.

Mr. MORLEY—I would like to comment upon the continual increase in the cost of the Secretariat, an increase which is altogether out of proportion to additional income. During the year 1907 the total income amounted to \$24,858.50 and the upkeep of the Secretariat was \$2,232, namely, 17.02 per cent. The estimated income for 1912 is \$27,560 and the estimated cost of the Secretariat is placed at \$8,252, being practically 30 per cent. of the entire income. In other words, of every dollar collected by the Municipality 30 cents go to the Secretariat. The increase in income 1907-1912 is \$2,701.50, the increase in the Secretariat same period, is \$4,000. At the time the ratepayers were called together to sanction the issue of debentures, the proceeds of which were for the erection of this building, a special feature was made of the intention to build quarters therein for the Secretary, so as to eliminate the cost of providing an outside house. For a while the Secretary did live here, and I believe I am right in saying that at different times two assistant secretaries lived here also.

Mr. WILSON—Both the assistants were single men.
Mr. MORLEY, continuing: If quarters have to be found for the assistant Secretary, in my opinion the payment of \$65 per month is entirely out of proportion to this gentleman's salary, believing as I do that this man represents more than 50 per cent. of same.

Mr. FOWLER—Are the Council of opinion that the quarters specially built for the Council's use are sufficiently commodious to house both the Secretary and the Inspector of Police?

Mr. WALLACE—No, not if one of them is a married man.

Capt. BATHURST moved, and Mr. BAUER seconded:—That the expenses of the Secretariat be cut down by the sum of \$750, being the rent of the Secretary's house.

On a vote being taken, 15 voted for the resolution, and 19 against.

The CHAIRMAN asked if there were any more questions.

MISCELLANEOUS QUESTIONS.
Mr. LECOMTE enquired whether any census of the Chinese population had been taken.

Mr. WALLACE—A census was taken by Mr. Gottwaldt, when he was a member of the Land Commission, and the result was embodied in the annual report two years ago.

Mr. LECOMTE said a census would be very interesting considering the increase of population this year on account of the trouble of affairs.

Mr. BAUER handed up a written question to the Chairman, as to whether the brothels in the Settlement were licensed or not.

The CHAIRMAN suggested that Mr. BAUER should write to the new Council on the subject.

The CHAIRMAN proposed, and Mr. WILSON seconded, that the Estimates for 1912 be passed.

On the motion being put to the meeting, 24 were in favour and thirteen against.

Mr. BAUER proposed, and Capt. BATHURST seconded, the following resolution:—

"That the ratepayers shall be allowed to vote for as many Councillors as they like out of the number who offer themselves for election, providing they do not vote for more than six."

Mr. BAUER pointed out that according to his view this resolution should not be necessary as the Land Regulations do not compel a ratepayer to vote for the full number of Councillors. He only intended to put this resolution before the meeting, if the Chairman should insist on his voting for the full number of Councillors.

Mr. FOWLER—As there appears to be strong resentment against the compulsion to vote for the full number of Councillors required in order to render a vote valid, I beg to ask the Chairman if he will not allow the ratepayers to vote for less than the full number if they so desire, as surely by the rules of common sense no voter should be forced to vote for any man whom he might consider undesirable as a Councillor.

Mr. L. I. THOMAS—Mr. Chairman, as there seems to be no ruling in the Land Regulations or Bye-laws as to whether a ratepayer may not vote for one or more Councillors, provided he does not vote for more than six, may I suggest that in order to proceed with the meeting that such voting be allowed, and then should the Consular Body decide that it is irregular, another meeting of the ratepayers can be called.

Mr. LEE considered the meeting should be adjourned for the Consular Body to decide the question.

Mr. ARNOLD—I would point out that the question of a ratepayer voting for as few persons as he saw fit so long as he does not exceed six, is one which the meeting is competent to decide, so long as the Land Regulations or Municipal Bye-laws make no mention of it. The Chair has evidently been responsible for the decisions in the past invalidating votes thus cast; hence the Chairman could upon this occasion render a decision. Furthermore I do not believe it a matter which necessitates the passing of a resolution or an expression from the Consular Body.

After further discussion, the Chairman ruled that such voting was valid, and Mr. BAUER withdrew his resolution.

Mr. LECOMTE—I would like to know if it is possible to vote for candidates who have not offered themselves, and if I do so, will my vote count?

Mr. PARR—Mr. Lecomte's claim to propose a Councillor outside those already up for election is absurd and neither justified by practice nor reason. Ample notice has been given and a date announced up to which the names of aspirants for the Council, duly proposed and seconded, would be received, and consequently such a claim as suggested cannot be upheld.

The CHAIRMAN—Such a vote would not count.

The question as to whether Mr. G. F. Haslam was qualified for the Council was raised by Capt. BATHURST and Mr. BAUER, the contention being that he was not a ratepayer and therefore ineligible for the Council.

Mr. WILSON refuted this, explaining that Mr. Haslam was the representative of Messrs. Tait & Co., and quoted Article 4 of the Land Regulations, "Qualification of Councillors," paragraph 2; therefore he was qualified for the Council.

Mr. WILSON explained that he was entitled to three votes, one for Messrs. Tait & Co., one as proxy for Mr. Bruce, and the third as proxy for Mrs. May, all being property owners. He added that he had only exercised two of these votes.

Mr. ARNOLD pointed out that as Mr. Wilson admitted having voted for Messrs. Tait & Co. as its representative, the same function could not also be simultaneously discharged by Mr. Haslam; hence Mr. Haslam could not up to the present be considered a ratepayer, therefore, he must be declared ineligible for election.

Mr. PARR also asked that the position of Mr. Haslam should be made clear.

Mr. BAUER suggested that Mr. Haslam's name be struck out.

Mr. L. I. THOMAS—Mr. Chairman, this proxy voting is not quite clear to me, but according to Mr. Wilson's own statement he has cast three votes on other questions, one of these being as representative of Messrs. Tait & Co. I maintain therefore that Mr. Haslam is not eligible as a Councillor as his vote is thus absorbed. If, however, Mr. Haslam does hold Tait & Co.'s vote, then the ballot on previous questions is irregular.

Mr. BRISSEL—As Mr. Wilson claimed his three votes at the time of voting upon the motion of Mr. Bathurst, I do not see how Mr. Haslam can be considered a ratepayer during the meeting now being held.

Mr. FENWICK—But Mr. Wilson has said that he exercised only two votes of the three that he has.

Mr. FOWLER—I beg to suggest to the Chairman that as considerable difference of opinion exists as to whether or not Mr. Haslam is eligible for election as a Councillor, surely the obvious way out of the difficulty is to allow him to be voted for in the meantime. Ratepayers who might consider his election as contrary to the Regulations could send in a written protest afterwards.

Mr. ARNOLD—I beg to make a motion that it be the sense of this meeting that Mr. Haslam is not eligible for election as a ratepayer. This was seconded, and after further discussion.

Mr. BRISSEL asked—Has the motion by Mr. Arnold been ruled out of order?

The CHAIRMAN—I have ruled Mr. Haslam as eligible, and suggest that if anyone wishes to appeal against my decision to the Consular Body they can do so.

The following gentlemen offered themselves as Councillors for 1912:—Capt. H. Bathurst, J. S. Fenwick, G. F. Haslam, T. Koizumi, W. R. M'D. Parr, H. F. Rankin, W. H. Wallace.

On a ballot being taken, the following were elected:—J. S. Fenwick, W. H. Wallace, W. R. M'D. Parr, Capt. H. Bathurst, T. Koizumi, H. F. Rankin.

THE CHINESE MEMBER OF COUNCIL.
The CHAIRMAN informed the meeting that the Consular Body at Amoy had appointed the present sitting Chinese member of the Municipal Council, Mr. Lim Nika, to continue to hold his office in the year 1912 until a recognised Government is established in Fukien.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman, proposed by Mr. WALLACE, was carried with acclamation.

ANOTHER PIRACY.

Another piracy has been reported from the neighbourhood of Ping Hoi which seems to confirm the suggestion made a few days ago that naval intervention was necessary in that locality. The victim on this occasion is the steam launch *Hoi Ming*, which reports to the police that while lying at anchor at Shan Mi, near Ping Hoi, three Hoklo boats came alongside and 18 men boarded the launch. They demanded to know where the money was kept, and the crew were driven into the forehold while the launch was ransacked. No less than 50 pieces of clothing were taken away and \$280 in money. The pirates then decamped, and the launch returned to Hongkong.

THE MAGISTRACY.

Yesterday a Chinese was sentenced to six weeks' imprisonment for snatching a felt hat from a man in the street.

Yesterday a Chinese was fined \$25 with the alternative of one month in prison for the larceny of clothing from the Victoria Hospital belonging to the boys.

Detective Sergeant Terrett prosecuted yesterday an amah for leaving her employment without giving notice. After hearing the evidence, Mr. Irving ordered her to pay a fine of \$12 or go to prison for one month.

Two bluejackets from H.M.S. *Monmouth* appeared before Mr. Irving yesterday charged with assaulting Mr. Davis, the manager of the Seamen's Institute and also with committing a petty larceny. They were each fined \$5 on the first charge, the second being dismissed.

An instance of smart detective work was mentioned before Mr. Irving yesterday when a Chinese was committed to prison for six months with hard labour for the theft of \$1,285 from a Japanese passenger on board the s.s. *Mausang*. It appeared that when the steamer entered port on Thursday she signalled for police assistance. L. S. Wills and a party of Chinese detectives went on board and were informed that a Japanese passenger had been robbed at sea of 900 yen, \$150 gold, \$50 Mexican, 90 pesos, also two gold rings, the total value being \$1,285. The thief might not have been discovered so soon had not the thief thrown away the passports belonging to the Japanese. These were discovered on board and being returned to the Japanese he discovered his loss. The captain made a search but without finding anything. However the sergeant and his party of detectives met with more success. They discovered the thief and restored the whole of the property to the owner.

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NOTICE.

THE Interest of Mr. GERSHOM STEWART in our Firm terminated on the 1st day of February, 1912. Mr. EVAN ORMISTON has been admitted as a Partner from this date.

STEWART BROS.
Hongkong, 3rd February, 1912. [273]

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E. A. HEWITT,
Superintendent.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1912. [1]

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FRANK LAMBERT,
Hon. Secretary,
Victoria Recreation Club,
Hongkong, 1st February, 1912. [239]

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1912. [244]

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Hongkong, 3rd February, 1912. [158]

NOTICES OF FIRMS

NOTICE.

MR. JOHN MANNERS has been authorized to Sign our Firm per Procuration, and Mr. W. C. C. BRALOKHAY, having left our Firm, his authority to Sign per Procuration has CEASED.

SIEMSEN & Co.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1912. [266]

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself as an Import and Export Merchant and General Commission Agent under the style of U. RUNJAHN & Co., at 6, Des Voeux Road Central.

U. RUNJAHN.
Hongkong, 2nd February, 1912. [257]

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY-THIRD ORDINARY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Company's Office, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 5th FEBRUARY, 1912, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1911.

THE REGISTER of SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 29th January, to MONDAY, the 5th February, 1912 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the
HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT AND AGENCY COMPANY, LTD.,
Agents for the
KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.
Hongkong, 22nd January, 1912. [218]

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETY-FIRST ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be held at the Office of the Company, Hotel Mansions, on TUESDAY, the 6th FEBRUARY, at 12 o'clock, Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors, together with Statement of Accounts, declaring a Dividend, confirming the appointment of a Director and electing Auditors.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 23rd January to the 6th February, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. E. CLARKE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 13th January, 1912. [192]

HUMPHREYS ESTATE & FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be held at the Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, on FRIDAY, the 16th FEBRUARY, 1912, at 12.30 A.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1911.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 10th to the 29th February (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of Shares can be effected.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 31st January, 1912. [250]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of this Corporation will be held at the CTR Hall, Hongkong, on SATURDAY, the 17th day of FEBRUARY, 1912, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1911.

THE REGISTER of SHARES of the Corporation will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 5th February, to SATURDAY, the 17th February, 1912 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1912. [261]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE CERTIFICATE No. 2233 for 5 Shares, £100 paid up, numbered 12151 to 12155, standing in the Register in the name of Mr. OUIF J. MOTOWSKY, having been declared LOST, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that unless the said Certificate be produced to the Society on or before the 10th April next, a new Certificate for the said Shares will be issued and the old Certificate will thereafter be held by the Society as null and void.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
C. MONTAGUE EDE,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1912. [250]

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1912. [248]

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T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course.
Hongkong, 30th January, 1912. [249]

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
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Hongkong, 31st January, 1912. [253]

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GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
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Hongkong, 16th December, 1911. [151]

CANTON-KOWLOON RAILWAY.

ALTERATION AND ACCELERATION OF TRAIN SERVICE.

THE PUBLIC IS HEREBY NOTIFIED that on and from THURSDAY, February 1st, important alterations and additions will be made to the present Time Table.

The First Through Train from Kowloon to CANTON will leave daily at 8.15 A.M. instead of 8 A.M. and an additional Through Train will leave at 11.25 A.M.

The Express Train now leaving at 2.25 P.M. will leave at 2.40 P.M. and has been accelerated and will arrive at CANTON at 6.35 P.M., making the journey in under four hours.

From CANTON a Train will leave for Kowloon at 7.45 A.M. instead of 7.55 A.M. and an Extra Through Train at 11.45 A.M.

The Express will leave at 2.55 P.M. instead of 2.25 P.M. and has also been accelerated and will arrive at Kowloon at 6.50 P.M.

For residents in the New Territory a Train will be run to arrive at Kowloon at 9.15 A.M. and leave in the afternoon at 5.52 P.M. The present Trains arriving at Kowloon at 10.30 A.M. and leaving at 3.45 P.M. will be cancelled.

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THE ADMINISTRATION,
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Kowloon, 23rd January, 1912. [227]

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N. J. STABB,
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Hongkong, 24th January, 1911. [12]

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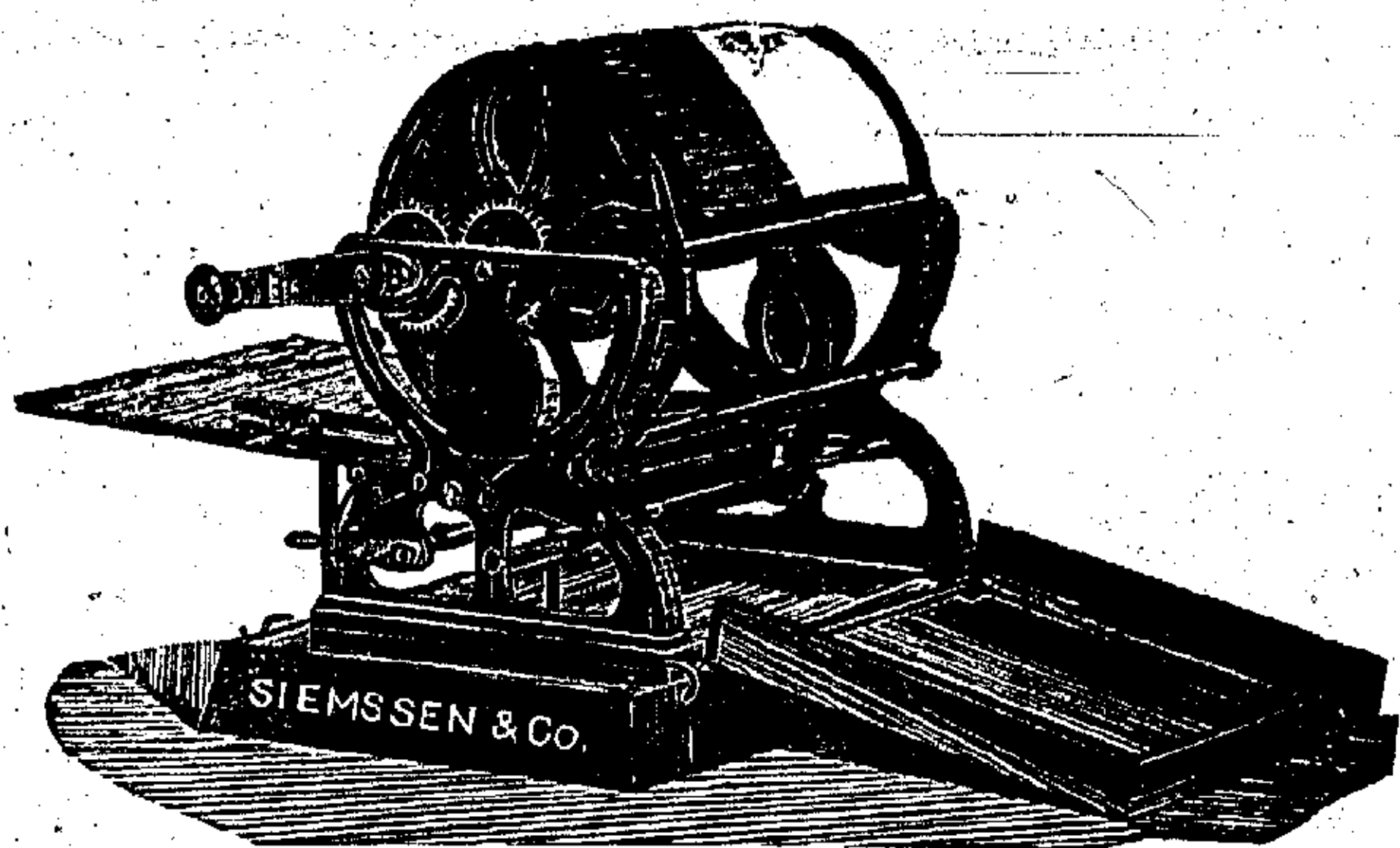
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Rear of the Ring," etc.)

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Tom's interference gave Mab a little time

in which to recover from her surprise.

Geoff would have been blind indeed had he

not noticed how pleased she was to see him.

How pretty she was; not the bold beauty of

Rose Thoreau, but the charm and simplicity

of a genuine unaffected English girl, who

had not been spoiled by town life. He looked

at her admiringly, and Mrs. Kirkton

smiled.

"Although we have not been formally in-

troduced, I feel we are old friends," she said.

"Your name became so familiar during your

visit to England that we have never regarded

you as a stranger. I shall be very pleased

if you will call upon us. At present we have

rooms in Macquarie Street," and she men-

tioned the number.

"It's very kind of you, I am sure I shall

be delighted; may I bring my sister?" he

said.

"With pleasure," said Mrs. Kirkton.

"It will do her no end of good to meet

you," said Geoff. "We lost our father sud-

denly, and she has not been quite the same

since."

Mrs. Kirkton made a sympathetic reply,

and Mab looked at him with eloquent eyes.

So far she had only made one or two com-

monplace remarks.

Tom was eyeing Geoff over. To the lad

the great cricket was a hero.

As they walked along Mrs. Kirkton ex-

plained how they came to be in Sydney.

"I feel much better from the voyage," al-

ready," she said.

"We must try and make your stay pleas-

ant," said Geoff. "Show your round. I

have rather a nice place at Richmond, a

pretty country; but first you must come and

see us at home at Double Bay."

"They parted at the corner of Market Street,

and Geoff went away quite pleased at the

unexpected meeting.

"Mab, you were as quiet as a mouse,"

said Tom. "Most unusual, is it not, Mrs.

Kirkton?"

"Quite, Mab generally talks well. I wonder

what her reason was?" she said, smiling.

"That's easily guessed," said Tom.

"Meeting the hero of her romantic dreams

she was knocked off a heap."

"Don't be so vulgar," said Mab.

"I noticed when you saw him first," said

Tom. "You quivered like a jelly—you were

shaken to the core, the heart's core."

"Be quiet," said Mab, laughing in spite

of herself.

"It is nice to meet some one we know so

far from home," said Mrs. Kirkton.

"Do we know him?" said Tom. "I

don't believe he knows our names."

"Upon my word, I do not think he does,"

said Mrs. Kirkton, laughing.

"Let me run after him and enlighten

him," said Tom.

"No, you must not," said Mab; but she

was too late, her brother was speeding after

Geoff, and soon came up with him.

"Mr. Lovett," he said panting.

Geoff turned round quickly, and said:

"Is anything the matter?"

"Not much," gasped Tom, "only you

don't know who we are, and I came to tell

you."

Geoff laughed heartily as he said:

"Well, who are you?"

"I'm Tom Seymour. My sister's name is

Mab, and the other lady is Mrs. Kirkton. I

thought it best to let you know in case you

called," said Tom.

"Quite right, sonny," said Geoff.

"Sonny!" exclaimed Tom.

"That's Australian for 'my boy,'" said

Geoff, smiling.

"Oh, I see; it won't take me long to pick

up the slang; ask Mab if it will. Good-bye,

see you again before long. Don't forget to

call."

"I'll be round to-morrow about noon,"

said Geoff. "I invite you all to come home

to luncheon with me, and meet my sister."

"How jolly," said Tom. "I accept; they

can't buck out even if they want, which I

don't suppose they will."

He ran off. Geoff standing laughing as he

watched him.

"Good sort, Tom," he thought. "A

genuine lad, I like him."

When he went home, he told Susie of the

meeting, and said he had invited them to

luncheon to-morrow. She seemed pleased,

especially when he told her about the cricket

match and the theatre. Rose Thoreau, dur-

ing the voyage, had driven all thoughts of

Mab out of his head until he met them

again.

Punctually at noon, he drove to Macquarie

Street with a smart pair of cobs and a neat

turn out, to take his new friends out to

Auburn.

"Drives a carriage," thought Mrs. Kirk-

ton, as she saw him pull up; "he must be

well off."

"Will you sit with me?" he said to Mab,

and she got into the front seat, a deepening

colour in her face. Mrs. Kirkton and Tom

sat behind. It was a four-wheeled carriage

with three seats, the one behind the driver

facing the same way.

"Jolly fine pair of noddys," said Tom, as

he peeped between his sister and Geoff.

"Glad you like them," said Geoff laugh-

ing.

Tom was always useful at breaking the ice

and causing conversation to flow freely.

"How do you like Sydney?" asked Geoff.

"It is a lovely place; we are all enchanted

with it," said Mab. "I had no idea Aus-

tralia was such a fine country, had such large

cities."

"Even in the twentieth century," laughed

Geoff, "people in old sleepy England are

only just beginning to have a faint idea of

what our country is like. During the last

tour I was asked several times if Sydney was

as large as some small provincial town."

"Sydney is simply lovely," said Mab.

"They chatted freely. Geoff's thoughts

were far away from Rose Thoreau and "The

Flower Seller." He was in a much purer

atmosphere.

As they drove into Auburn, Mab exclaimed.

"What a charming place and what a lo-

vely view!"

"It is pretty," said Geoff, and it certainly

was.

The house stood on high ground, a small

carriage drive in front; and from the garden

there was a glorious prospect over the blue

water of the bay. Everything grew luxuri-

ously with an almost tropical abundance.

Susie came to the door to welcome them.

She was dressed in white, relieved with a

lavender bow, and band round her neck.

She looked very sweet, standing there with

the sun shining on her fair hair.

Geoff introduced them as the man led the

horses away.

"You are all very welcome to Auburn,"

she said. "My brother has told me all

about you, how he met you in England."

She took Mrs. Kirkton and Mab upstairs.

"The prettiest view is from here," she

said, as she looked out of the large open

French window. "Please excuse me; come

down when you are ready. Make yourselves

quite at home."

"This is a lovely spot," said Mrs. Kirk-

ton, as she stepped out on to the balcony,

followed by Mab; and they feasted their eyes

on the radiant scene so long that Mab at last

said:

"We must go down, or we shall be late

for luncheon."

"Is she not a charming girl?" said Mrs.

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HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Vernon and Smyth in their weekly

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BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai after sales at \$880 are easier at \$875 with sellers. The London rate is today quoted privately at £2 15/8.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions are quiet with reported sales at \$850. Other stocks are unchanged and without local business.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong are procurable at \$360, and Chinas to a limited extent at \$37.

STAMPING.—Hongkong, Canton and Macao are firmer with probable buyers at \$26 1/2. Indo-Chinas have again advanced and can now be placed at \$6 1/2 for the combined preferred and deferred issues. China and Manila after sales at \$11 are easier with sellers at \$10 1/2. Shell Transports can be placed at \$3 1/2 and Douglases at \$2 1/2.

REFINERIES.—China Sugars have been booked at \$10 1/2 and \$10 and close in request at \$10 1/2. Luzons are quiet but steady at \$3 1/2.

MINING.—Rauhs are procurable at \$3.80. Chinese Engineerings have been fixed at \$1.13 to \$1.14 and close in demand at the latter rate.

DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—Hongkong and Whampoa Docks are quiet at \$45 after small sales. Kowloon Wharves have been sold at \$3 1/2 and 5 1/2 and at the latter rate more shares are to be had. Shanghai Docks are unchanged at \$1.38 and Shanghai and Hongkong Wharves at \$1.95.

LANDS, HOTELS AND BUILDINGS.—Hongkong Lands are weak with sellers at \$98 1/2. There are buyers of Kowloon Lands at \$33 and of West Point at \$40, but no shares are available. Humphreys Estate are easier with sellers at \$6 1/2.

COTTON MILLS.—Hongkong can be placed at \$5 1/2 after sales during the week at \$5. In the North Ewes have advanced to \$1.82.

MISCELLANEOUS.—Electrics have been booked at \$21, Cements at \$3.90, Ropes at \$18, and Watsons at \$4. Ices are procurable at \$2 1/2, China Borneos at \$10 1/2 and Providents at \$8. Langkats after falling to \$1.79 are now in request at \$1.83.

RUBBERS, ETC.—Closing quotations (middle price) received from London by wire to-day are as follows:—

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Batu Tigas	82/6
Sapongs	86/3
Ledburys	63/6
London Asiatics	11/6
London Ventures	1/-
Linggis	36/6
E. & I. Trusts	3/6 premium
Rubber Trusts	15/3 premium
Trolis	63/6
Shell Transports, "bearer"	84/0
Hongkong Electric Trans	3/6

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No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th Feb. will be subject to suit.

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Hongkong, 30th January, 1912. [59]

HONGKONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hongkong Observatory, February 2nd

Barometer ... 30.24 30.35 30.26
Temperature ... 53 54 59
Humidity ... 72 54 53
Wind Direction ... West North North
Force ... 1 1 1
Weather ... 0 0 0
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0006 3383 1355	Manila
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3123	Manila
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ADDRESS.	FROM.
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Ehrman, ...	Manila
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Funk, ...	Manila
Funk Funk Hotel	Manila
Goonh Annie King Edward	Manila
Hotel	Manila
Hening H. C. W. Hongkong	Manila
Hotel	Manila
Hopater, ...	Manila
Jofasting, ...	Manila
Kuanaki Tyew 15	Manila
Kuanonloong, ...	Manila
Kuangwanchong, ...	Manila
Kwongyeejoo, ...	Manila
Patric Gumbat, ...	Manila
Psalmist, ...	Manila
Singtaio, ...	Manila
Sin Tong Wong Caine Road	Manila
Soares, ...	Manila
Weeleong Syeyapuanh	Manila

WEATHER REPORT.

On the 2nd at 12.10 p.m.—The depression noticed yesterday has moved towards N., and is now situated to the Eastward of the Loochoos.

Pressure has decreased considerably over S. Japan and the Loochoos. Elsewhere changes are unimportant.

Areas of high pressure are lying over the Pacific to the Eastward of Japan, and over the Yangtze Valley.

The strong monsoon will continue to prevail over the China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-day is as follows:—

DISTRICT FORECAST.

* Hongkong & Neighbourhood

Formosa Channel ... { N.E. winds, strong.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamooks ... Same as No. 1.

South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan ... Same as No. 1.

* N. winds, moderate to fresh, fine.

CHURCH SERVICE.

PEAK CHURCH.—Holy Communion at 8 a.m. UNION CHURCH, Kennedy Road, Minster, Rev. C. H. Hickel, 11 a.m. WORTH, Hymns, 25, 62, 280, 2nd 7, Anthem "Sing Praises" (Gounod) 3rd 1, 2, 4, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26,

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Hongkong, 2nd February, 1912. [48-22]

POST OFFICE NOTICE

The Parcel Post system to the following places in China is for the present suspended: Hupoh, Szachuan, Hunan, Kweichow and Tientsin.

FOR	PER	DATE
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Timor, Port Darwin, Thursday is. Cooktown, Cairns, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle.	St. Albans	Saturday, 3rd, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai, Shantung, Moji, Kobe, Yokohama, Yokohama, Victoria and Tacoma.	Kwongkong	Saturday, 3rd, 10.00 A.M.
Batavia, Cheribon, Samarang, Sourabaya and Macassar.	Panama Maru	Saturday, 3rd, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tauricorin.	Typhoon	Saturday, 3rd, 10.00 A.M.
Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents. (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.) (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)	Arcadia	Saturday, 3rd, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.	Japan	Saturday, 3rd, 11.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo.	Loongang	Saturday, 3rd, 1.00 P.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo.	Sat. Tar	Saturday, 3rd, 1.15 P.M.
Shanghai (SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE).	Anhui	Saturday, 3rd, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow and Singapore.	Kohsichang	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Tamsui.	Panjin Maru	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.	Haitan	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai.	Bohemia	Sunday, 4th, 9.00 A.M.
Shanghai.	Waikang	Monday, 5th, 5.00 P.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo.	Pembrokehire	Tuesday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow.	Haitan	Tuesday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Europe &c., India via Tauricorin.	Goeben	Tuesday, 6th, 10.00 A.M.
Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo.	Taming	Tuesday, 6th, 3.00 P.M.
Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle.	Aldenharn	Wednesday, 7th, 10.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Colombo.	Ayazawa	Wednesday, 7th, 4.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.	Choshun Maru	Wednesday, 7th, 5.00 P.M.
Hokkaido and Haifong.	Chongkong	Thursday, 8th, 9.00 A.M.
(Taking Mails for Pakhoi).	Haitan	Thursday, 8th, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.	Mazung	Thursday, 8th, 1.00 P.M.
Sandakan.	Chenau	Friday, 9th, 10.00 A.M.
Shanghai.	Haitan	Saturday, 10th, 1.00 P.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo.	Typhoon	Saturday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Manila, Cebu and Iloilo.	Rubi	Saturday, 10th, 3.00 P.M.
Shanghai (SIBERIAN MAIL TO EUROPE).	Linan	Saturday, 10th, 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow.	Haitan	Sunday, 11th, 9.00 A.M.
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.	Namsang	Tuesday, 13th, 10.00 A.M.
Europe, &c., India via Tauricorin.		
Late Letters 11.00 A.M. to Noon. Extra Postage 10 cents. (Letters posted in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)		
Shanghai, Kobe and Moji.	Kutsang	Wednesday, 14th, 11.00 A.M.
Manila, Cebu, Iloilo, Amoy, Yaf, Friedrich, Wilhelmshafen, Rabel, Harborschloe, Matsui, Samari, Brisbane, Sydney, Hobart, Launceston, New Zealand, Dunedin, Melbourne, Adelaide, Perth and Fremantle.	Coblenz	Saturday, 24th, 9.00 A.M.

Money Letters—The Post Office declines all responsibility for unregistered letters containing bank notes or jewellery, and where Registration has been neglected, will make no enquiries into alleged losses of such Postal Guide 121.

Mails for CANTON, WUCHOW and SAMHUI will be closed on week-days at 7.15 a.m. and at 6 p.m. until further notice.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

February 2nd.

On LONDON—	
Telegraphic Transfer	111 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	111 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days sight	111 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months sight	111 1/2
Credits, at 4 months sight	111 1/2
Documentary Bills 4 months sight	111 1/2
On PARIS—	
Bank Bills, on demand	246
Credits, at 4 months sight	250 1/2
On GERMANY—	
On demand	200
On NEW YORK—	
Bank Bills, on demand	47 1/2
Credits, at 60 days sight	48 1/2
On BOHRAV—	
Telegraphic Transfer	144 1/2
Bank, on demand	144 1/2
On CALCUTTA—	
Telegraphic Transfer	144 1/2
Bank, on demand	144 1/2
On SHANGHAI—	
Bank, at sight	72 1/2
Private, 30 days sight	73 1/2
On YOKOHAMA—	
On demand—Pesos	95 1/2
On MANILA—	
On demand—Pesos	83 1/2
On BATAVIA—	
On demand	117
On HONGKONG—	
On demand	7 1/2 p.m.
On SAIGON—	
On demand	79
On BANGKOK—	
On demand	10.25
SOVEREIGNS, Bank's Buying Rate	\$10.25
GOLD LEAF, 100 fine, per tole	\$54.03
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SUBSIDIARY COINS.

Chinese	20 cents piece	\$6.97 discount
Chinese	10	\$7.20
Hongkong	20	\$6.85
Hongkong	10	\$7.01

SHARE LIST—QUOTATIONS. HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 2nd, 1912.

STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS CASH.
BANKS.				
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corporation	120,000	\$125	all	\$875, sellers
China Bank, Limited	60,000	\$12	all	\$10, sellers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$1	all	\$1, buyers
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$10	all	\$8, sellers
COTTON MILLS.				
Ever Cotton Spin'g. & Weaving Co., Ltd.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 82
Hongkong Cotton Spinning Co., Ltd.	125,000	\$10	all	\$53, buyers
International Cotton Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	all	Tls. 49
Latou-Kung-Mow C. Spin. & Weav. Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 64
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 28
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	all	\$20 1/2, buyers
DOCKS AND WHARVES.				
H'kong & Kowloon Wharf & G. Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	all	\$54, sellers
Hongkong & Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$50	all	\$45
New Amoy Dock Co., Limited	10,000	\$50	all	\$8
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 58
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd.	36,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 95
Green Island Cement Co., Limited	400,000	\$10	all	\$5.90
Hongkong and China Gas Co., Limited	7,000	\$10	all	\$2.90
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$21, sales
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	12,000	\$50	all	\$72, buyers
Manila Metropole Hotel Limited	8,000	Pa. 10	all	\$9, sellers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	15,000	\$10	all	\$210, sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Co., Limited	60,000	\$10	all	\$13, sellers
H'kong & South China Steam Fisheries Co., Ltd.	15,000	\$10	all	\$7
INSURANCE.				
Canton Insurance Office Co., Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$197 1/2
China Fire Insurance Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	\$20	\$151
China Traders Insurance Co., Limited	24,000	\$35.35	\$25	\$105
Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$151, sal. & sel
North China Insurance Co., Limited	10,000	\$25	\$5	Tls. 157
Union Insurance Society, Limited	12,400	\$100	\$100	\$850, sales
Vang-tse Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$212 1/2, @ Ex 73
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.				
Hongkong Land Invest. Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	all	\$99 1/2, sellers
Humphreys' Estate and Finance Co., Ltd.	150,000	\$10	all	\$6 1/2, sales
Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.	6,000	\$50	all	\$35, buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	78,000	Tls. 50	all	\$49, buyers
West Point Building Co., Limited	12,500	\$50	all	\$49, buyers
Maatschappij tot Mijne, Bosch-en Landbouw exploitatie in Langkat	25,000	Gda. 10	all	Tls. 82, buyers
MINEING.				
Société Française des Charbon de Tonkin	16,000	Fr. 250	all	\$695
Bamb Australian Gold Mining Co., Ltd.	200,000	\$1	all	\$3.70, sellers
Peak Tramways Co., Limited	25,000	\$10	all	\$11 1/2, buyers
Philippine Co., Limited	50,000	\$10	all	\$5, buyers
REFINERIES.				
China Sugar Refining Co., Limited	20,000	\$100	all	\$108, buyers
Lunson Sugar Refining Co., Limited	7,000	\$100	all	\$36
STEAMSHIP COMPANIES.				
China and Manila Steamship Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$25	all	\$103, sellers
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	20,000	\$50	all	\$21
Hongkong, Canton & Macao S.S. Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	all	\$25 1/2, buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.	60,000 pref.	\$25	all	\$61, L'don
Shell Transport & Trading Co., Limited	250,000 def.	\$1	all	buyers £5 10s.
Star Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$3 1/2, buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	10,000	\$25	all	\$27 1/2, sellers
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	all	\$17
STORES AND DISPENSARIES.				
Campbell, Moore & Co., Limited	1,200	\$10	all	\$22 1/2, sellers
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	all	\$22, buyers
Watkins, Limited	10,000	\$10	all	\$3
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	90,300	\$10	all	\$43, sales
Weissmann, Limited	3,000	\$10	all	\$12 1/2, buyers
Gande Price & Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$10	all	\$12, buyers
United Asiatic Oriental Agency, Limited	9,930 ordy.	\$10	all	\$303
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	100 shares	\$10	all	\$7 1/2, sal. x. div.

Loans.	Amount.	Value.	Interest.	Quotation.
Chinese Imperial 1885	Tls. 767,200	Tls. 250	7 1/2 p. annum	Par.

TO-NIGHT	MAILS VIA SIBERIA.
9 P.M.—Shakespearean Plays at the Theatre Royal.—"Barley, the Magnificent"	London January 13th. Shanghai January 17th.

PORTHCOMING EVENTS.	OPIMUM.
Monday, 5th Feb.—Twenty-Third Ordinary Meeting of the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd., Noon.	January 31st
Tuesday, 6th Feb.—Ninety-First Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd., Noon.	Quotations are:—
Wednesday, 7th February—Meeting of the Licensing Board, in the Council Chamber, 2.15 P.M.	Malwa New ... 43/50 3/075 per picul.
Friday, 16th Feb.—Ordinary Annual General Meeting of Humphreys Estate & Finance Co., Ltd., at Hongkong Hotel, 11.30 A.M.	Malwa Old ... 43/100/3 125 "
Saturday, 17th Feb.—Ordinary Half-Yearly Meeting of Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, at the City Hall, Noon.	Malwa V. Old ... 43/200 "
Friday and Saturday, 1st and 2nd March—	Peruvian fine quality ... 41/800 "
	Peruvian extra fine ... 42/50 "
	Petua New ... 43/30 "
	Petua Old ... 43/300 "
	Benares New ... 43/300 "
	Benares Old ... 43/300 "

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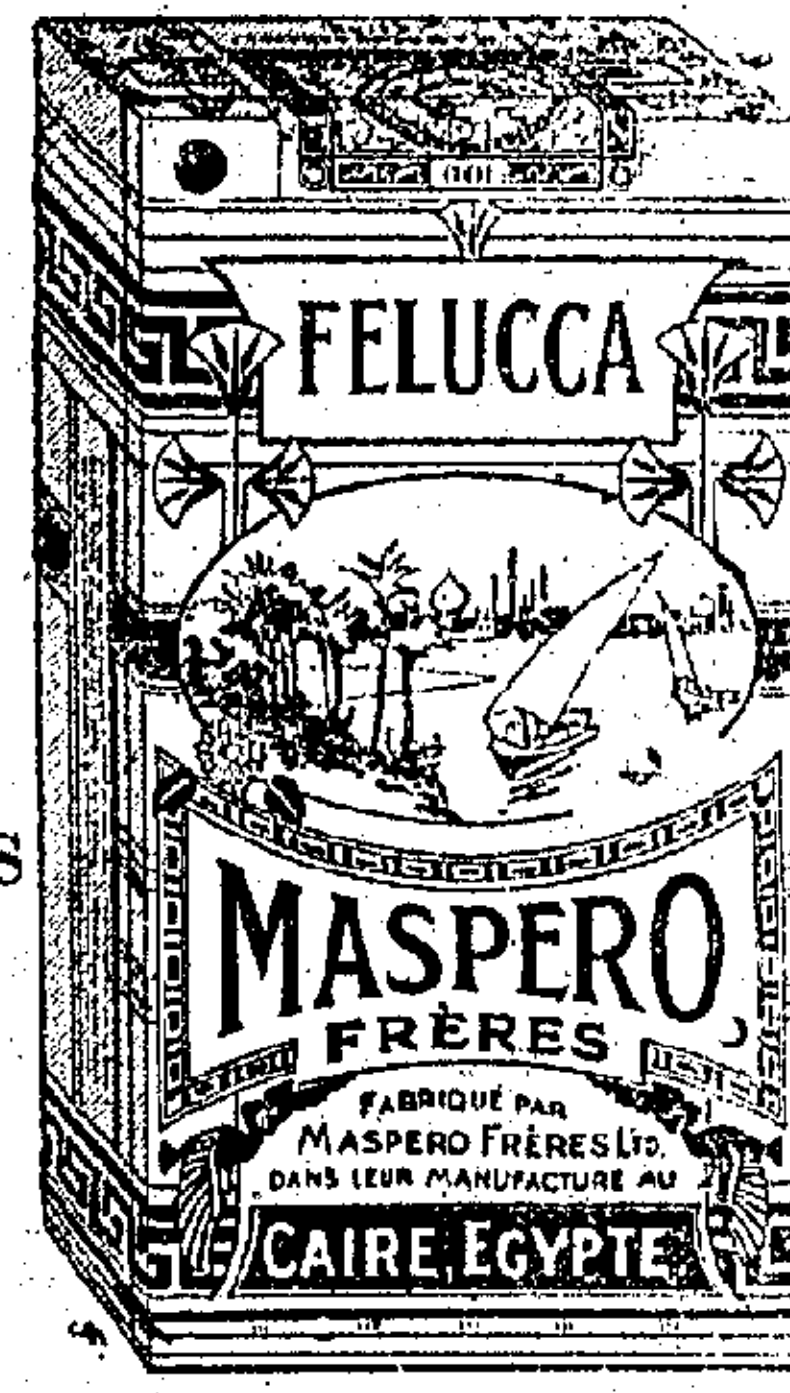
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